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§ 538.508 Certain payments by the Government of Sudan of obligations to persons within the United States authorized.

Specific licenses may be issued on a case-by-case basis to permit the transfer of funds after the effective date by, through, or to any U.S. financial institution or other U.S. person not blocked pursuant to this chapter, from a non-blocked account outside of the United States, solely for the purpose of payment of obligations of the Government of Sudan to persons or accounts within the United States, provided that the obligation arose prior to the effective date, and the payment requires no debit to a blocked account.

§ 538.509 Certain services relating to participation in various events authorized.

The importation of Sudanese-origin services into the United States is authorized where such services are performed in the United States by a Sudanese national who enters the United States on a visa issued by the State Department for the purpose of participating in a public conference, performance, exhibition or similar event, and such services are consistent with that purpose.

§ 538.510 Importation and exportation of certain gifts authorized.

The importation into the United States of Sudanese-origin goods, and the exportation from the United States of goods, is authorized for goods sent as gifts to persons provided that the value of the gift is not more than \$100; the goods are of a type and in quantities normally given as gifts between individuals; and the goods are not controlled for chemical and biological weapons (CB), missile technology (MT), national security (NS), or nuclear proliferation (NP)(see Commerce Control List, 15 CFR part 774 of the Export Administration Regulations).

§ 538.511 Accompanied baggage authorized.

(a) Persons entering the United States directly or indirectly from Sudan are authorized to import into the United States Sudanese-origin accompanied baggage normally incident to travel.

- (b) Persons leaving the United States for Sudan are authorized to export from the United States accompanied baggage normally incident to travel.
- (c) For purposes of this section, the term accompanied baggage normally incident to travel includes only baggage that:
- (1) Accompanies the traveler on the same aircraft, train, or vehicle;
- (2) Includes only articles that are necessary for personal use incident to travel, are not intended for any other person or for sale, and are not otherwise prohibited from importation or exportation under applicable United States laws.

§ 538.512 Transactions related to telecommunications authorized.

All transactions with respect to the receipt and transmission of tele-communications involving Sudan are authorized. This section does not authorize the provision to the Government of Sudan or a person in Sudan of telecommunications equipment or technology.

§ 538.513 Transactions related to mail authorized.

All transactions by U.S. persons, including payment and transfers to common carriers, incident to the receipt or transmission of mail between the United States and Sudan are authorized, provided that mail is limited to personal communications not involving a transfer of anything of value.

§ 538.514 Certain transactions related to patents, trademarks and copyrights authorized.

- (a) All of the following transactions in connection with patent, trademark, copyright or other intellectual property protection in the United States or Sudan are authorized:
- (1) The filing and prosecution of any application to obtain a patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection;
- (2) The receipt of a patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection;
- (3) The renewal or maintenance of a patent, trademark, copyright or other

form of intellectual property protection; and

- (4) The filing and prosecution of opposition or infringement proceedings with respect to a patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection, or the entrance of a defense to any such proceedings.
- (b) This section authorizes the payment of fees currently due to the United States Government, or of the reasonable and customary fees and charges currently due to attorneys or representatives within the United States, in connection with the transactions authorized in paragraph (a) of this section. Payment effected pursuant to the terms of this paragraph may not be made from a blocked account.
- (c) This section authorizes the payment of fees currently due to the Government of Sudan, or of the reasonable and customary fees and charges currently due to attorneys or representatives within Sudan, in connection with the transactions authorized in paragraph (a) of this section.
- (d) Nothing in this section affects obligations under any other provision of law.

§ 538.515 Sudanese diplomatic missions in the United States.

- (a) The importation of goods or services into the United States by, and the provision of goods or services in the United States to, the diplomatic missions of the Government of Sudan to the United States and the United Nations are authorized, provided that:
- (1) The goods or services are for the conduct of the official business of the missions, or for personal use of the employees of the missions, and are not for resale:
- (2) The transaction does not involve the purchase, sale, financing, or refinancing of real property;
- (3) The transaction is not otherwise prohibited by law; and
- (4) The transaction is conducted through an account at a U.S. financial institution specifically licensed by

Note to paragraph (a)(4) of §538.515: U.S. financial institutions are required to obtain specific licenses to operate accounts for, or extend credit to, the diplomatic missions of

the Government of Sudan to the United States and the United Nations.

- (b) The importation of goods or services into the United States by, and the provision of goods or services in the United States to, the employees of the diplomatic missions of the Government of Sudan to the United States and the United Nations are authorized, provided that:
- (1) The goods or services are for personal use of the employees of the missions, and are not for resale; and
- (2) The transaction is not otherwise prohibited by law.
- (c) The importation of goods or services into the United States by the regional Government of Southern Sudan and its employees that involves the transit or transshipment of goods from the Specified Areas of Sudan through areas of Sudan other than the Specified Areas of Sudan is authorized, provided that:
- (1) The goods or services are for the conduct of the business of the regional Government, or for personal use of the employees of the regional Government, and are not for resale; and
- (2) The transaction is not otherwise prohibited by law.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (c) OF §538.515: The authorization contained in paragraph (c) of this section permits the regional Government of Southern Sudan and its employees to import into the United States goods or services that have transited or transshipped through areas of Sudan other than the Specified Areas of Sudan without the need to obtain a specific license under §538.417. The importation of goods and services into the United States by the regional Government of Southern Sudan not involving transit or transshipment through areas of Sudan other than the Specified Areas of Sudan already is exempt pursuant to §§ 538.212(g) and 538.305(b) and, therefore, requires no authorization. Similarly, the provision of goods and services in the United States to the regional Government of Southern Sudan and its employees already is exempt pursuant to §§538.212(g) and 538.305(b) and also requires no authorization.

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§538.516 Diplomatic pouches.

The following transactions are authorized:

(a) The importation into the United States from Sudan, or the exportation from the United States to Sudan, of